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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT OF MAY 29, 2001

This paper is submitted in response to the Patent Office Action of Paper No. 10, dated May 29, 2001. Applicants hereby elect the claims of invention I, which are claims 1-9. Please cancel claims 10-36 without prejudice or disclaimer. Applicants hereby retain the right to pursue these cancelled claims in other applications.

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Transmitted herewith is a Response to Restriction Requirement in the above-identified application.

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